

Remarks

In the outstanding office action, claims 1-14 and 16-37 were presented for examination. Claims 1-7 and 20-37 were withdrawn from consideration and the election of claims 8-14 and 16-19, without traverse, was noted. The drawings were objected to by the Office. In addition, rejection was advanced against the claims on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting in view of claims 1-3, 5-8 and 10-13 of U.S. Patent Number 6,853,491. In the office action it was noted that a timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321 (c) or 1.321 (d) may be used to overcome the rejection if the conflicting patent is shown to be commonly owned with this application, as is the case and is noted in the attached terminal disclaimer.

Applicant has also had new drawings prepared. The same are filed herewith and are believed to clearly comply with the requirements of the outstanding office action. Finally, applicant has added new claims 38 and 39. These claims clearly cover the invention claimed in claim 8, and are believed to more precisely claim the invention. More particularly, claim 38 recites the use of "an image source" in view of the fact that the output of the image source is claimed as being polarized by the recited first linear polarizing element. Other changes include, without limitation, further limiting recitations of the positions of the elements. It is believed these claims are, in view of the subject matter already allowed, clearly patentable over the prior art.

In view of the above amendments and the discussion relating thereto, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for the allowance. If, for any reason, the examiner believes in consultation with the undersigned will be useful to advance the prosecution, the examiner is invited to contact counsel to discuss any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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